



BACHELOR TO BSN NURSING

Ever wonder what it would be like being a nurse? Maybe you'd like to switch careers but can't afford to spend four more years in college. How about 12 months? You heard right. At ECPI University's College of Nursing, you can now turn your Bachelor of Arts or Science degree into a Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BSN) in just one year!

Whether you majored in business, history, or one of the sciences, all you need is a bachelor's degree from an accredited college or university (prerequisite courses required) and meet some other institutional requirements. Upon graduation, you can be prepared to take the NCLEX-RN examination and become a registered nurse, caring for patients and making a difference in people's lives.

Even better, you can have a head start on your career by earning a BSN, as more and more healthcare providers are seeking nurses with advanced education. In fact, the American Nurses Association has set a goal for 2020 that 80% of all nurses hold a BSN (Source: Institute of Medicine of the National Academies, 26 January 2011.)

Possible Career Track

Graduates who have completed the Bachelor's to BSN Nursing Program can work in a variety of roles in community health, specialty bedside practice, informatics, and management, pursuing employment in a range of settings including:

- ▶ Primary Care Clinics
- ▶ Hospitals
- ▶ Hospices
- ▶ Mental Health Agencies
- ▶ Managed Care Facilities
- ▶ Home Healthcare
- ▶ Nursing Education
- ▶ Military and Industry

Outcomes

The curriculum leading to the Bachelor of Science in Nursing degree is designed to prepare a professional nurse who should be able to demonstrate the ability to:

- ▶ Provide holistic care by applying the nursing process to manage the health care needs of culturally diverse individuals, families, groups, and communities.
- ▶ Synthesize and apply knowledge from the humanities, the arts and letters, the social and natural sciences as a basis for decision-making nursing practice.
- ▶ Collaborate as a member of the interdisciplinary health care team, in partnership with the individual, family, group, or community, to promote health and wellness and to influence health care delivery.
- ▶ Apply theories of leadership and management to promote optimal care delivery with defined quality indicators.
- ▶ Effectively communicate using written, verbal and electronic methodologies.
- ▶ Contribute to the enhancement of nursing practice through the evaluation of health outcomes and the application of research.
- ▶ Actively participate in the role of a professional nurse through leadership and lifelong learning.

The Master of Science Degree in Nursing at ECPI University is accredited by the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education, 655 K Street NW, Suite 750, Washington, DC 20001, 202-887-6791.



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